AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1. (Amended)

A prompter support member which supports a prompter system at a camera platform, the prompter system comprising:

a display which displays an image;

a semitransparent mirror which reflects the image displayed on the display in a predetermined direction; and

a TV camera arranged at a rear of an image reflecting face of the semitransparent mirror,

wherein the prompter support member has a multi-divisional structure comprising a plurality of support members, including a first support stage member, and a second support stage member, the display and the semitransparent mirror being supported by the first support member, the display being provided under the first support member and the semitransparent mirror being provided above the first support member,

wherein the TV camera is supported by the second support member, the second support member being detachably connected to a TV camera platform, and

wherein the first support stage member, second support stage member, display and mirror can be positioned such that they overlap each other where the second support member is slideable to overlap with a top face of the first support member, and the mirror is foldable onto the second support member.

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Claim 2. (Currently Amended)

The prompter support member as defined in claim 1, <u>further comprising</u> wherein the overlapping mechanism is a slide mechanism in which the plurality of support members are slidably connected, and the plurality of support members are moved by the slide mechanism in a direction that the plurality of support members are closer to each other so as to overlap the support members.

Claim 3. (Cancelled)

Claim 4. (Cancelled)

Claim 5. (Withdrawn)

A semitransparent mirror support structure for a prompter with a semitransparent mirror for reflecting an image displayed on a display in a predetermined direction, wherein:

a regulating member for regulating a position of the semitransparent mirror in a moving direction is provide to a support member for supporting the semitransparent mirror and for adjusting the position of the semitransparent mirror at a predetermined inclination angle and in the predetermined moving direction with respect to the display.

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Claim 6. (Withdrawn)

The semitransparent mirror support structure for the prompter as defined in claim 5, wherein:

the support member comprising a holding member for holding the semitransparent mirror, and a guide member for guiding the semitransparent mirror in a movable direction via the holding member, the holding member being fitted in the guide member; and

the regulating member is a stopper member provided to the guide member for regulating a position of the semitransparent mirror in the moving direction with the holding member that contacts with the semitransparent mirror when the semitransparent mirror moves in the movable direction.

Claim 7. (Withdrawn)

A masking member for a prompter which is provided to the prompter for reflecting an image displayed on a display to front with a semitransparent mirror and which encloses an optical path of an image formed between the display and the semitransparent mirror, wherein:

the masking member comprises a top face with a reinforcing plate which is arranged at the top of the semitransparent mirror and a back face with a reinforcing plate which is arranged at the rear of the semitransparent mirror; and

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the masking member is able to be folded in which the back face overlaps with the top face whereby the semitransparent mirror is protected by the reinforcing plates of the top face and the back face.

Claim 8. (Withdrawn)

The masking member for the prompter as defined in claim 7, wherein the reinforcing plate of the masking member is made of metal or plastic.

Claim 9. (Withdrawn)

A masking member for a prompter which is provided at the prompter for reflecting an image displayed on a display in a predetermined direction with a semitransparent mirror and which prevents an external light from entering in the display, wherein:

the masking member is constructed in a divisional structure including at least two members; and

the divided members which can be folded are connected with a flexible tape member.

Claim 10. (Withdrawn)

A prompter, comprising:

a display which displays an image;

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a semitransparent mirror which reflects the image displayed on the display to front;

a lens insertion hole providing member which is arranged at rear of the semitransparent mirror, a lens insertion hole being formed in the lens insertion hold providing member, a TV camera lens being inserted in the lens insertion hole so as to be arranged at a predetermined position; and

a regulating member which is arranged inside of the lens insertion hole of the lens insertion hole providing member and at rear position of the semitransparent mirror, the regulating member regulating an insertion position of the TV camera lens.

Claim 11. (Cancelled)